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AMERICAN ELECTIONS WHAT THE RESULTS MEAN

BACK TO NORMAL

New York, November 9.

Observers everywhere claim that the election results indicate a general movement of the people towards normal conditions in tariff, taxation, freight rates and prohibition, the electors disregarding party lines and voting for candidates on whom they placed hopes of fulfillment of their desires.

The World considers the Democratic victories a repudiation of the Harding administration.

The Times (Democratic) successes they constitute a verdict of disapproval and repentance.

The Tribune says the Democratic gain cannot be heralded as a return to Wilsonism as most the Democrats elected are anti Wilson.

"INTOXICATING LIQUOR"

WASHINGTON, November 9.

Proposals for legislation modifying the provisions of the prohibition act regarding the sale of beer and light wines are regarded as one of the probable outcomes of the elections.

Mr. Britten, member of the House of Representatives for Illinois has already announced that the soldiers' bonus bill, with additional provisions for paying the bonus by a tax on light wines and beer, will be introduced into Congress. The proposed legislation would define "intoxicating liquor" so that beer could be limited to an alcoholic strength of four per cent and wine to 14 per cent.

REPARATIONS PROBLEM GERMANY'S PLAN DISAPPOINTING

Berlin, November 9.

Disappointment is expressed in Reparations Commission circles at the intangible character of the German proposals replying to the reparations note delivered early in the week requesting more concrete proposals with regard to reorganisation of German finances.

The reply considers stabilisation of the mark the most urgent task, but an essential preliminary to possible measures is final and immediate solution of the reparations problem. The reply suggests the Commission's sympathetic consideration of a plan for the formation of an unofficial syndicate for supporting the mark, apparently proposed by British, Dutch and Swiss bankers, with the Reichsbank cooperating conditionally on suspension of treaty payments, until the foreign syndicate's advances have been refunded.

Sir John Bradbury interviewed by Reuter, emphasised the urgency of Germany formulating measures and submitting proposals for concessions if German catastrophe is to be avoided. While testifying to close collaboration between French and British reparations representatives, he expressed the opinion that the policy of control and coercion would inevitably result in the same going the same way as the mark.

BRITAIN'S PEKING MINISTER LONDON BANQUET PLANNED

LONDON, November 9.

Sir John Jordan presided at a meeting of the Anglo-Chinese Friendship Society at which it was decided to give a farewell banquet to Sir Robert Macleay, the new Minister to Peking, on December 1.

The meeting adopted Mr. Chao Hain-chu's proposal that the Chinese legation and the Chinese students central union be joint hosts.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

LONDON MARKET IMPROVES

LONDON, November 9.

Foreign exchanges are better. The market opens that yesterday's selling was overdone. French franc buyers are 69.15 and Belgian 75.25. German marks are 23.000.

NEAR EAST SPEECH

ALLEGED INDIAN SEDITION

CALCUTTA, November 9.

The Police have arrested the president of the Khilafat committee on a charge of seditious speech dealing with the Near East situation.

COTTON FIBRE PROFITS

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LONDON, November 9.

Messrs. J. P. Coats' profits for the year amount to £3,370,000. The dividend is 17½ per cent.

ANGLO-GREEK AGREEMENT £20,000,000 GREEK INDEMNITY

ATHENS, November 9.

The demands which the National Assembly has instructed Tassos Pasha to present at the Lausanne Conference mentioned include the acquisition of Mosul, rectification of the Syrian frontier, payment by Greece of a £20,000,000 indemnity, denial of Greece's right to West Thracian, insistence on a plebiscite in West Thracian and complete autonomy of the Greek Isles off the coast of Asia Minor.

[A Constantinople cable dated November 8 stated: A message from Athens says the National Assembly has instructed Tassos Pasha to secure the acceptance by the Lausanne Conference of the following points:—Firstly, that the frontiers of Turkey be in accordance with the National Pact; secondly, payment of an indemnity by Greece; thirdly, suppression of the Capitulations; fourthly, modification of the frontiers of Iraq; and, fifthly, the complete independence of Turkey, financially, economically and politically.]

ITALY'S ATTITUDE

ROME, November 9.

After a six-hour meeting of the Cabinet yesterday afternoon, Signor Mussolini stated that he had telegraphed the Italian High Commissioner at Constantinople saying he favoured the formation of a united front with regard to Turkey. He had also ordered the warship "Arduine" to remain at Constantinople. Other vessels were being held in readiness to protect Italian nationals if necessary. Italy had agreed to the British suggestion for postponement of the Lausanne conference, provided the delay was very brief. Mussolini reserved for himself freedom to participate in any conference of the British French premiers. If he were personally prevented from attending the Lausanne conference he would appoint delegates, in whom he had confidence.

SOVIET INSISTENT

LONDON, November 9.

The Soviet representative in London handed a new note to Britain insisting on the participation of Russia, the Ukraine and Georgia in all the deliberations of the Near East conference and disclaiming a desire to place Turkey under tutelage. The note says Russia merely seeks to maintain Turkish rights on land and sea.

ROBERT YOUNG'S WORK LONDON PAPER'S TRIBUTE

LONDON, November 9.

The Times publishes a quarter of a column obituary notice about Mr. Robert Young, of the Japan Chronicle. The correspondent pays a tribute to Mr. Young's able and fearless defence of foreign interests in Japan and his sympathetic admiration for Japan virtues and worthy achievements.

[Proprietor and Editor of the Japan Chronicle, Mr. Robert Young had lived in Kobe for over 35 years, having founded his paper after completing an agreement with the Asahi News, the technical side of which he first went to Japan to join. Mr. Young and a friend not in journalism subscribed the small capital required to start the new venture which soon became the strongest English newspaper in Japan owing to its independence and courage. Mr. Young, who was 65 years of age, is survived by a widow and two sons in Japan, and a married daughter who is in England. Mr. Young's eldest son was killed in the war.]

SIKI FIGHT BANNED

HOME OFFICE ORDER

PARADE DRESS INCIDENT

LONDON, November 9.

The Home Office has banned the Beckett v. Batling Siki fight fixed for the Albert Hall on December 1 on the ground of the undesirability of contests of this sort between whites and blacks.

In a fight yesterday evening in Paris for the French middle-weight championship, Prunier knocked out Balzac.

At the conclusion of the fight Siki, who was seconding Balzac, sprang into the ring, advanced towards Prunier and Prunier's manager with raised fists. Officials intervened and prevented Siki from using violence.

The audience booed the Senegalese who was finally hustled out by the police.

STILL ALIVE

ENVER AGAIN

ALABAMA, November 9.

The Method correspondent of the Phoenix reports that Enver Pasha is still alive and is at present conducting a peace conference with Bolshevik representatives.

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EAST.CHINA'S VAST TRADE
MARKETS.Lord Palmerston attempted to per-
suade the House that the trade with
China was of so great im-
portance to the working classes of
this country, that it was
worth while to encounter the greater
expenses which have been incurred.
Now I venture to say that our
trade with China for thirty years has
not left a single farthing of profit.
—Bright.If you look for the last thirty five
years you will find that China is the
only country that has disappointed
you; that is, that the exports to
China have not kept pace with the
natural increase of your trade in other
directions. Last year your exports
to China were £3,860,000.China stands only twelfth in the list
of your foreign customers. — Cobden.
In 1864 Lord Palmerston, one of
the few British statesmen who un-
derstood the Chinese questions, was
being attacked in the House of Com-
mons for his policy in China, and in
the forefront were those worthies
whose words are quoted above. They
would have jettisoned our interests in
China rather than spend a penny in
promoting them. Palmerston took
the wider view, and subsequent de-
velopments have proved his far-sighted-
ness, writes David Fraser in *The Times*.For good or ill, Great Britain is an
industrial country, and nothing can be
plainer than that her future depends
upon the sale of her manufactured
goods. Upon the profitable presen-
tation of this business depends her
ability to carry the mountain of debt
incurred during the war and to main-
tain her position among the nations
of the earth. In these circumstances
what could be more applicable than
the attitude of Palmerston?It represented sound policy in
1864, and all the more so to-day, for
the China trade is now a proved
quantity, steady and ever growing.
All who know the Far East more-
over, are united in the belief that
only the fringes of China have been
exploited and that the potential com-
merce is incalculable. Stable govern-
ment and improved communications
are needed and, when established
will create a field in which there is
room for the enterprise of all the
nations. Present conditions in
China are bad but they are not so
bad as materially to affect the
volume of trade.Trade with Europe to-day is only
a fraction of what it was, and no
possible improvement that can beconceived can restore it to its prewar
dimensions within the next decade.
The China trade is straining at the
leash, eager to bound ahead. It
needs but a turn of the political
wheel, and a little improvement of
the general situation to open out a
new and magnificent vista of trade
opportunity.These are big words. Let us
examine sober facts, as detailed in the
Customs report on the foreign trade
of China for 1921. The total foreign
trade, exclusive of treasure, was, in
1901, 437,559,000 taels (£69,500,000);
in 1911, 849,842,000 taels (£133,500,000);
and in 1921, 1,507,377,000 taels
 (£230,400,000). The tael figures
provide the true index to the expan-
sion, as the sterling equivalent
is calculated at the average exchange,
which in 1921 was 30 per cent. higher
than in 1901. Roughly speaking, the
foreign trade of China doubles itself
every ten years. It should be noted
that opium, which figured as a large
item of import in 1901 and 1911, is
practically non-existent in the returns
of 1921.WONDERFUL PROGRESS.
It is true that the British percent-
age of the whole has steadily declined
from something like 80 per cent. at
the end of the century to a little over
40 per cent. in 1921. On the other
hand, during the war the percentage
dropped well below the present figure,
and has only recently shown marked
improvement. In any case, 40 per
cent. of three hundred millions rep-
resents a very handsome turnover.
The percentages in 1913 and 1921
were—

Britain and dependencies	54.26
Japan	23.40
United States	16.86
Germany	6.30
France	1.20
Other countries	93.44

Any comparison of trade per-
centages would be incomplete with-
out a reference to the tonnage table.
TONNAGE ENTERED AND CLEARED.
1913. 1921.
British 98,600,000 42,300,000
Japanese 23,400,000 31,700,000
Chinese 19,900,000 31,700,000
German 6,300,000
Russian 1,600,000 500,000
French 1,200,000 1,200,000
United States 800,000 4,500,000
All countries 93,440,000 114,619,000Closer inspection of the figures
makes instructive reading. Cotton
imports for 1913 were 182,000,000
taels (say, £28,000,000), and in 1921
205,000,000 taels (say, £30,750,000).
Of this volume, the British share in
1913 was 11 million pieces, and in
1921 only three and half millions.Metals have risen from 20,000,000
taels in 1913 to 60,000,000 taels in
1921.
Road construction is proceeding in

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QUANTITY YET.In the placing of orders to the
value of between £200,000 and
£300,000 for the increase of the Royal
Air Force by 20 squadrons (about 500
machines, including reserves), it is
announced by the Air Ministry that
it is not their intention at present to
construct metal aircraft in any
quantity.It is stated that about six all-metal
machines of different types are al-
ready in course of construction, some
of which are on the point of
completion.Dr. Junker, the German aircraft
designer, has produced an all-metal
anti-lever-wing monoplane, which
carries nine passengers. Its 180-h.p.
engine is stated to be equal in per-
formance to the latest 450 h.p. British
engine as used in Royal Air Force
bombing machines.nearly every province, and where a
few years ago there was not, outside
the Treaty ports, ten miles suitable
for motor cars, there will soon be
thousands of miles. A tremendous
demand for motor vehicles is inevit-
able, and the Americans are getting
all the business so far.In exports, China has made corre-
sponding advances. The figure for
1921 is 801,700,000 taels (say, \$118,000,000) showing that production of
raw and manufactured material suit-
able for foreign consumption is very
large. Silk, raw and manufactured,
was 103,000,000 taels in 1913, and
rose to 150,000,000 taels in 1921.
Tea fell from twenty-five millions to
twelve, cereals rose from nine to nine-
teen millions, cigarettes rose from
345,000 taels to 13,000,000 taels.
The soy bean and its products which
have appeared so miraculously in re-
cent years jumped from 48,000,000
taels in 1913 to 84,000,000 taels in
1921.At Washington, the Powers, con-
cerned entered into a solemn compact
to respect the independence of China,
which in effect means that all have
combined to check the aggressive
designs of our Power which was seek-
ing to establish a monopoly of oppor-
tunity. The open door and equal op-
portunity are now guaranteed, and British
trade has a fair field, with the advan-
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HOW SAY YOU THEN?

This Armistice Day anniversary we celebrate to-morrow is the noblest in the year, most solemn for millions in every part of the world. November eleven four years ago saw the end of the blood water which had taken eight million lives in battle and caused another nine million deaths, the end of the ghastly frenzy which had spread rapine and disease everywhere, the end of the terrible blight which had brought widespread ruin and sown the seeds of trouble yet unquenched. To-morrow is no mere official anniversary of a great and decisive victory; it is something immensely grander. To-morrow is the day the people have set apart for themselves, the day they wish to be alone with their dead.

For many of course, November eleven is a day of thanksgiving—the armistice meant safety for a world once a danger, quelling fear of a world in untold relief. Their very joy however, gives them a sympathy with those for whom Armistice Day means only a numb grief flaring again into a poignant stabbing sorrow for a loved one, a husband or brother numbered among the unreturning brave.

More than a great historical day, to-morrow's anniversary is even more than the solemn hour of mourning. It is the people's day of tribute, the special day when they acknowledge their debt to those who sleep beyond the Homeland's foam in some corner of a foreign field that is never England.

"We who are left, how shall we look again
Happily on the sun or feel the rain
Without remembering how they who
Yonder, and yonder, and yonder
Lived for us loved, too, the sun
And rain?"

To-morrow Britain mourns her dead across the seas. Over the world, at the eleventh hour, her sons pay their silent tribute. In the Empire's capital, the King himself lays the nation's wreath before the Cenotaph, "that monument of austere and simple beauty." Thousands visit the nation's historical shrine where sleeps the unknown warrior, noble symbol of an Empire's loss and sorrow. Millions have their sacred memories. The whole nation mourns its dead.

"Solenn the drums thrill: Death august and royal
Sings sorrow up into immortal spheres
There is music in the midst of desolation
And a glory that shines upon our tears."

The poet, in his grief, has cried "Weep, you may weep, for you may touch them not," and the heart grows heavy with sorrow. They are gone, forever gone. But they have left a divine message, these dauntless spirits who tell with their faces to the foe, fighting on for the world from the horror of war and the ghastly stupidity that makes war possible. To you from smiling hands they threw the torch. They charged you with the task they had begun. For you it is to see that they have not died in vain, for remember they have said:

"If we break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep though poppies grow
In Flanders fields."

You may not break faith with them in this great task they have given you to keep. Neither may you break faith with them in that other solemn trust. You must never forget their dependents and their broken comrades.

"I cannot quite remember,
There were five
Dropt dead beside me in the trench
—and those
Whispered their dying messages to me."

"I cannot quite remember,
Those dying messages the dated
and wandering soldier pitifully failed
to remember, you know for whom
they were whispered. They were
meant for those who, perhaps, now
use your help. To-morrow is poppy
day. You have a debt to pay. See
you meet it in full, for it is a debt
written in blood."

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. D. W. Treadman has been appointed District Officer, Northern District.

Mr. Hughes, First Officer of the s.s. "Hafong," has won the model yacht raffled by the Kowloon branch of the Musters Children's League.

The Consul for Italy will be at "Home" at Kingsclere Hotel from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to-morrow, the Birthday of H. M. King Victor Emanuel III.

His Honor, Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz has resumed duty as Puisne Judge, Mr. C. M. I. Messer as Colonial Treasurer, and Mr. J. R. Wood as First Magistrate.

A coolie woman died this morning from a split skull, having been struck by a brick yesterday afternoon while working in a Square Street house in the process of demolition.

The wedding will take place shortly of Mr. Arthur P. Glanville, Overseer of the P.W.D., and Miss Mary E. Rose en route to Hongkong from England by the s.s. "Sardinia."

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mine for the week ending October 28, 1923, amounted to 21,114.00 tons and the sales during the period to 67,183.00 tons.

Last month the maximum temperature recorded at the Royal Observatory was 81.3 on the 25th, and the minimum 65.7 on the 1st. There were 232.2 hours of sunshine. The wind's highest velocity was 22.9 on the 20th.

The rainfall for the month of October at the Botanical Gardens was 2.15 on 11 days, at the Midland Hospital, Mount Kellett, it was 2.15 on 10 days and at the Police Station, Tai Po, it was 1.15 on 4 days.

Forthcoming Crown land sales include about 15,450 sq. ft. north of the small tennis at Whitfield for an upset price of \$22,925; about 43,800 sq. ft. at Pokfulam for \$8,305; and about 90,000 sq. ft. on the spur between West Bay and Repulse Bay for \$3,400.

Many friends will regret to hear that news of the death of Mr. Hedley Thomas Richardson, Marine Superintendent of the C.P.S. in Hongkong from 1901 to 1917, has reached the Colony. Mr. Richardson was 64, went to Glasgow when he left Hongkong and supervised the building of the "Empress of Canada" and other C.P.S. steamers. He retired on pension in July and died at Reading on October 12.

British nationals who desire to file claims for compensation under the Treaty of Peace with Austria and Hungary in respect of damage or injury inflicted upon their property rights and interests in Austrian and Hungarian territory by the application of exceptional war measures or measures of transfer, should communicate within one week with the administrator of Austrian and Hungarian property.

The Government is inviting tenders for the supply of labour for watering the streets. In dry weather one Chinese foreman and not more than thirty able-bodied coolies will be required every day and they will be required to work eight hours a day. The Government is also inviting tenders for the purchase of waste food from Viet Nam. Waste food consists of the kitchen refuse and waste of rice, congee, vegetables, fish, etc., averaging about 50 lb. daily.

From November 1 the postage rate on articles printed with characters or pictographs for the use of the blind posted in Hongkong for any part of China is 1 cent per lb. (the limit of weight is 6 lb.); and the Union Rate of postage applied to all articles of correspondence sent from Hongkong to Mainland, Siam, and Tibet. From December 1 the rate on letters posted in Hongkong addressed to Canton will be 4 cents for each oz. or any fraction thereof.

A Japanese seaman employed on one of the coal steamers, has died at the hospital from blood poisoning following a sealer shot in the leg. The man accidentally shot himself on board the ship in Wanchai Bay on Sunday morning. He was working with a saw, not knowing apparently that it was loaded, when it suddenly went off. The bullet went clean through the fleshy part of the left arm. The wound was not serious and the man would have recovered but for his persistent monkeying with the bandage, which he removed every time the doctor's back was turned. This caused gangrene to set in and cost him his life.

CRICKET.

LOCAL INTERPORT MATCH.

HONGKONG V. SHANGHAI.

HANCOCK WINS THE TOSS.

SHANGHAI BOWLERS BEGIN WELL.

Though a trifle cold, the weather was on its best behavior for the first day of the Interport Cricket Match between Hongkong and Shanghai. Bright sunshine and little wind and ideal conditions here, where on account of the buildings round about the light is very often poor and always difficult to visitors.

Accommodation for the public has been provided by erecting a long narrow stand on the south side of the ground and His Excellency the Governor's tent and the Club tent for ladies is on the opposite side, while members are accommodated in both the old and new pavilions. The new pavilion, is not yet completed, but seats have been placed on the spacious verandah and from this point of vantage perhaps the best view of the ground is to be had and certainly a much better view of the wicket, especially at the far end, than is obtainable from the old clubhouse.

The wicket has been very carefully mowed and looked after but with it is none too good. The turf was newly laid at the end of last season but does not seem too good and there are many bare spots. It will probably play all right in the first innings and for that reason, there is a general opinion that the side that wins the toss will have the best chance of winning the match. It does not matter how fast enough for Davies and he will bump very badly by the time the third or fourth innings is reached. It is the sort of wicket that ought to suit O'Hara. Scoring arrangements are the same as at the last Interport and a special covering box has been erected on the Naval Yard side beside the large scoring board.

The nets were up for an hour before the start and Pearce was the first man to have a knock. He batted as he always does at the nets in very convincing fashion. Sayer followed and seemed more enterprising than usual. About half past 10 the Captains tossed for choice of innings and in view of the fact that the winning of the toss is supposed to have more than the usual significance there were signs of relief from the Hongkong supporters when it was announced that Hancock had won and of course chosen to bat. The crowd were slow in gathering but by 11 o'clock there was a fair attendance round the ropes. The stand on the south side was well patronised and the old pavilion was early filled with members.

H. E. the Officer Administering the Government arrived at 10 minutes to 11 and only afterwards the Shanghai team headed by Capt. Billing, the tallest man on the side, took the field in descending order.

T. R. Pearce and Capt. Oliver opened the innings for Hongkong against the bowling of O'Hara and Terry Wilson. O'Hara opened to Oliver, bowling from the Naval Yard End, and Oliver opened with a single to Extra cover off the 4th ball. Oliver made a fine on-drive to the pavilion steps off Wilson's third ball and a leg bye brought him to the other end to face O'Hara again and play him for a maiden over. Wilson swings in with his arm and hit Pearce on his left leg three times appealing the first time unsuccessfully. Off his last ball he hit Oliver on the pads again appealing unsuccessfully. Neither batsman seemed very comfortable and Wilson bowled and her maiden to Pearce. Shanghai's fielding was very keen especially on the off-side where it was very difficult to hit anything through. Wilson batted with a ball that swung across his wicket and off the next ball the batsman made a beautiful leg glide for 2.

Lens was picking up the ball nicely at cover and earned a verbal round of applause for his smart return while each at mid-off saved many runs at the beginning of the innings. O'Hara continued to have the batsmen in difficulties and Oliver after being almost stumped played on the next ball the first wicket falling for 10. Stapleton took his last and began very carefully finding difficulty playing W is a who seems to beat him all the way with the first all he sent down to him and who eventually bowled him with the second last ball of the over for a wicket. 15-2-0.

Rev. E. K. Quick came in next and watched Pearce play a maiden over before he faced Wilson who immediately had him in difficulties. Pearce got him away repeatedly to leg to find the ball splendidly stopped by Dwyer and no runs scored however, he got a beauty past the umpire for 4. Next ball again came up and his pads and on the appeal he was given out. 24-3-10.

HOME AGAIN.

A KIDNAPPED BOY.

RANSOMED FOR \$5,000.

Kidnapped 13 months ago, the 18 year old son of Mr. L. Chanson, a well-known local Chinese business man has just been restored to his anxious parents.

The affair has cost Mr. Chanson in all \$10,000, but both he and his wife are happy to get their son back at that price, and they are the recipients of a warm congratulation.

The boy was drugged to Macao by a schoolmate, the son of Chen Kam long an ex-Secretary of a former Canton Governor, who lived next door to Mr. Chanson in Bonham Road. The two boys who were of the same age, were good friends, and young Chanson used to help young Cheung with his lessons. Some of Cheung senior's classmates conceived the idea of kidnapping young Chanson and used the Cheung boy as a decoy. The party was supposed to go to Macao for a week-end trip only, but the little outing proved to be the beginning of 13 months' captivity. Young Chanson did not return home on the Sunday evening as a gang of his anxious parents made enquiries but received no news about their son as the Cheung boy was also said to have "disappeared." Later it was discovered that the Cheung boy had left the ship just before it left the wharf. Kidnapping was feared and the police were informed.

A few days later Mr. Chanson's fears were confirmed when he received a demand for \$5,000 as ransom. Inquiries were set afoot and two men named Cheung were arrested and tried here last July. One was discharged and the other was found guilty and received 10 years' jail. All the whereabouts of young Chanson could not be discovered and his parents feared the worst had happened as a ransom for the prosecution.

After a while, however, Mr. Chanson was reassured by another mysterious letter which offered to reduce the ransom money to \$5,000. Mr. Chanson at once placed the deal. A meeting was arranged with the kidnappers in Kowloon where the boy was "brought" back.

Young Chanson was kept in captivity at a place called Kimmur and he was brought by his captors overland to Taunton and thence by boat to Kowloon. He said he was not badly treated but had seen some horrible slaughter and had contracted malaria and some skin complaint. He is now resting and will resume his studies at the Yungwah College next year.

CANTON'S CURRENCY.

BANK NOTE LOTTERY SCHEME.

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, Nov. 9.
Some Canton merchants have devised a scheme which the Government seems to favour for holding a lottery to help restore the currency. The plan is to sell tickets for banknotes, pay a small proportion in prizes and destroy the balance.

SCORES.

HONGKONG 1st INNINGS.

T. R. Pearce, 1 b.w. 5 Wilson	10
Capt. C. O. Oliver, 5 O'Hara	5
O. J. Stapleton, 5 Wilson	3
R. V. E. K. Quick, not out	3
H. R. B. Hancock, not out	0
Extras	6
Total	24

Hancock began confidently and played Wilson for a maiden, taking every ball nicely. Quick put on up just over the bowler's head and was lucky not to be caught. Wilson had Leach sliding deep on the leg side and he saved many runs, cramping the batsmen so that they had to keep the ball low. It played to leg, Billing went on at the Naval Yard and for O'Hara at noon and sent down his first over to Hancock mostly just out side the off stump, but the batsman returned to be drawn. However, next over he completely beat Quick taking his balls off with a ball that seemed to come in very quickly from the off. 25-4-3 and two balls later, Sayer, the next man, was caught in the slips. 28-5-3.

Rev. E. K. Quick's Billings	3
H. R. B. Hancock, not out	1
G. R. Sayer's Old-fashioned Billings	0
Extras	5
Total for 9 wickets	27

BIG FIRE.

KENNEDY TOWN BLAZE.

EARLY MORNING OUIDBREAK.

TWENTY HOUSES GUTTED, AND WOODYARD DESTROYED.

One of the biggest blazes that has occurred in Hongkong for some time took the Fire Brigade out to Kennedy Town early this morning. At about 4.30 a.m. a call was received to Polcher Street, where the Wing Shing Chung woodyard was ablaze. The fire quickly spread to the shops and houses in the block opposite and about twenty houses and shops in B-lcher Street and Smithfield were gutted.

Fortunately there was only one casualty—an old woman who jumped from one of the buildings and was killed.

The brigade were lucky in being able to contain the blaze as much as they did because the area was three other woodyards adjoining the one destroyed and the flames were actually licking the block on the opposite side of Smithfield.

At noon to-day, the flames were still laid at work although the danger of further spreading had passed and large volumes of smoke were issuing, particularly from the woodyard.

As the houses each had several floors it was that several hundred people have been made homeless. The slaughter was in danger for some time but it was safely extinguished. The animals were soon removed to safety.

SMUGGLING CHARGE.

OFFICERS AND ENGINEERS' GUILDS PROTEST.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S STATEMENT.

The following correspondence has been forwarded by the China Coast Office, Hong Kong, and the Marine Engineers' Guild of China for publication:

From the China Coast Office: Guild (Mr. T. T. Lamson, Assistant Secretary) and the Marine Engineers' Guild of China (Mr. W. G. St. John, Branch Secretary) to the Colonial Secretary, Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, on October 30—

Sir,—We have the honour to direct your attention to the following quotation from your speech in the Legislative Council on the 28th instant.

"I am afraid, Sir, that it is the experience of this Office now that ships' officers do smuggle and that they do receive money for keeping their eyes shut to what is going on. Cases do occur in which a large hole is cut in a deck or engine room bulkhead, or the paneling is removed bodily—from the saloons—in which cases either there is gross neglect of duty or there must be some connivance by the responsible officer."

This charge, now on record as the considered statement of the senior officer of the Hongkong Government, is infamous. It brands with shame and lasting disgrace a body of honorable men who have kept the sea right and day, in peace and war, through storm and danger, those on whom the Colony has had, and may again have, to rely for the maintenance of its life-blood.

We submit with deference therefore, that a considerable qualification of the charge is desirable and justly due, with a publicity equal to that accorded to your speech, in order to make it clear that even though isolated cases of this sort have occurred, it is not true in substance or in fact, that these gentlemen, as a body, are addicted to the practice of casting duty and honor to the winds for the sake of a bribe.

That transgression of the law shall be brought to justice and that their punishment shall be adequate is the prerogative and duty of the government, but this slur upon the honour of a body of officers for the delinquency of the few is not in accord with the tenets of British justice.

The members of the British Mercantile Marine have known on this matter, we as their representatives in this Colony propose to publish this letter and now solicit permission to coin any reply you may deem desirable.

From the Colonial Secretary to the Guilds on November 9—
Gentlemen,—I have received your letter of October 30, with regard to a statement made by me in the Legislative Council on the subject of smuggling by ships' officers.

You have inferred that my statement included ships' officers as a body, without qualification; and, although I think that my words in their ordinary meaning cannot bear such a construction, I welcome the opportunity to express my regret that

STEAMER AGROUND.

WEST RIVER BOAT SPRING A LEAK.

CHINESE CREW RESCUED.

The Chinese owned West River steamer, s.s. "Luensheun" (260 tons), which left here at 2 p.m., yesterday for Kowloon, went ashore in the evening about three miles S.E. of the Wongmoon light, and on low tide grounded.

The "Luensheun" sprung a leak at 7 p.m. and filled rapidly owing to the choppy sea caused by the gale which arrived suddenly last night. Her Chinese skipper decided to beach the vessel in order to save her from sinking and accordingly heaved for a sand bank. The vessel struck fast, but the bank was low and with a rising sea, her stern continued to take in water. By 10 p.m., the engine room was flooded and the fires extinguished. Distress rockets were fired and this brought the motor ship "Wahkin" to the scene but she could not get near owing to her big draught and the sea was too rough at the time to launch a boat. However, she anchored about a mile away to await more favourable conditions. About half an hour later the "Olen" arrived, and as her boats were bigger than those of the "Wahkin," she decided to launch one. Another boat, the "Leung Kwong," arrived as the "Olen's" boat was fighting against the wind and sea and was a very slow headway. As the "Leung Kwong" was about the same size as the disabled vessel, her skipper (Capt. James) decided to set anchor. It took a quarter of an hour's maneuvering before the "Leung Kwong" managed to pass a line. After anchoring, the "Leung Kwong" Jacked her chain and slowly drew alongside the "Luensheun's" stern. She got so near that thirty of the crew and the Chinese skipper were able to walk across from one ship to another, but it was perilous work and took twenty-five minutes to accomplish. In the meantime the "Olen's" boat took away nine other members of the crew.

The "Luensheun" had on board 60 tons of general cargo, mostly rice, which was all damaged by water.

CHINESE NURSING HOME.

FORMAL OPENING YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

The Chinese western medical practitioners of the Colony, with commendable enterprise, have provided a modern nursing home with every convenience for the better-class Chinese residents. As already reported, a company has been formed to purchase the buildings and ground at Happy Valley, known as "Happy Retreat." Yesterday at 4 p.m. the formal opening of the nursing home took place and over two hundred visitors took the opportunity of inspecting the premises. Lady Ho Tung and a number of University doctors were among the large number of friends present.

"Happy Retreat" is too well known to need description. It is eminently suited for its present purpose and the surrounding scenery is magnificent. A new road has been built leading to the door of the building and this will enable motor traffic to go right up. The operating theatre is in the left of the main building, directly facing the hillside. It is well ventilated and no expense has been spared in the fittings. Next to the operating theatre is the sterilising room in which the most up-to-date appliances are used. The female nursing staff is quartered in the upper floor of a small multi-storied building. On the ground floor of this building is the usual ward with about twenty beds. The ground floor of the main building houses the main operating theatre, pharmacy, and dispensing room, while the upper floors contain the private wards, capable of accommodating sixteen to twenty patients.

Mr. J. A. Fraser has been appointed to act as Secretary to the Sanitary Board from November 9.

Booking for the Italian Opera Company will take place at the Hongkong Hotel to-morrow, as Montreux will be closed.

It has not been possible to interpret to him in the sense suggested in your letter.

My statement referred to particular individual cases, and it was far from my intention to disparage in any way a body of men whose general integrity and devotion to duty I hold in the highest regard.

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It is sometimes taken for granted that the advantage of the motor ship over the steamer lies solely in its lower fuel bill, but as owners of oil-engined vessels have amply demonstrated to their own satisfaction, there are other savings to be made which are somewhat difficult to detail on paper, but which, nevertheless, amount to a considerable sum during the course of a year. This is in addition to the increased carrying capacity of the motor ship as compared with the steamer.

In this connection a very interesting interview with the skipper of a motor ship is published in the current issue of the *Pacific Marine Review*, in which are brought out certain facts relating to these subsidiary economies which are well worthy of consideration by shipowners who are now pondering over the respective advantages of steam and motor vessels.

The skipper in question remarked that he would rather be master of a motor ship, because with such a vessel he could always beat a steamer in any part of the world. He added that the fuel economy was only a small part of the advantage of a motor ship over a steamer, and explained his meaning by the following details, comparing the actual operating conditions with the two classes of plant.

"I arrived from Hamburg in ballast, and my ship was too high out of water to utilize the right-handing equipment at this dock, and accordingly had to put a large part of the cargo with stevedores, delaying me nearly 10 days. During this time in port, the fuel consumption has only been 6 tons of oil against 6 tons for a steamer, with far less steadily less. Additional cost for the steamer, 5.4 tons at \$7.80, 42 days, \$600.

"This motor ship of 9,000 tons deadweight capacity, including bunker fuel burns 95 tons of oil a day, against 30 tons (of oil) a day for corresponding steamer while at sea.

"I have an opportunity of fitting my ship with cargo at \$9 a ton. Burning only 95 tons a day at 11 knots, the 39-day run to Hongkong requires 370 tons of bunker fuel. Allowing 25 per cent reserve, I can take 455 tons of fuel and 8,515 tons of freight.

"If I had a steamer, I should have to reserve bunker capacity for the longest leg of the voyage, which would be from Honolulu to Hongkong, a distance of 4,970 miles; say 19 days; 30 tons of fuel per day, 570 tons burned, plus reserve of 25 per cent, or a minimum bunker fuel of 712 1/2 tons. The maximum cargo I could load on a steamer would be 8,255 tons, 250 tons less than the motor ship, which corresponds to \$2,250 more freight money. When I get through the canal, I will set a course straight for Hongkong, whereas with the steamer I would have to deviate and lose a day going to Honolulu for fuel. The port charges at Honolulu, including towing and pilot, would be about \$250, in addition to the cost of operating the ship and the fixed charges on the investment for an extra day, which amounts to about \$550. For the 39-day run, the motor ship cost for fuel will be \$2,885. The steamer will burn 600 tons of Port Arthur fuel at \$7.80, and 570 tons of Honolulu fuel at \$14; total \$72,600, or \$9,776 in excess of the motor ship.

My destination is a port near Hongkong, China, where modern dock equipment will probably not be available for unloading, and about 15 days will be required for discharging the cargo, but with a fuel consumption per day of only 6 tons as against 6 tons of the steamer. The same applies to loading any available freight. Allowing a total of 15 days discharging and loading freight at China ports, excess fuel consumption for the steamer would be 81 tons, at \$17.85 (Hongkong fuel), or \$1,446.

"When I get to China, I will find a lot of steamers lying at anchor waiting for profitable cargoes. With the greater sailing radius of the motor ship I can afford to take cargoes offered for ports where fuel is not available except at very high prices; furthermore, I can underrate any of the steamers for freight for a voyage back to the United States, and need less freight to pay operating expenses. With my low operating cost I can afford to move around in the Orient and pick up small freights that would be unprofitable for a steamer.

"For the return voyage to the United States, the motor ship would require 370 tons of Hongkong fuel, at \$17.85, costing \$6,600, as against a steamer requiring 570 tons of Hongkong fuel at \$17.85 and 600 tons of Honolulu fuel at \$14, a total of \$18,000; a difference in favour of the motor ship of \$12,000. The port charges for fueling at Honolulu, and the additional day required, would be another \$750 expense for the steamer.

"Without allowing fixed charges for the longer stay of the steamer in the Orient, waiting for return profitable cargo (and I can keep this motor ship at sea carrying profitable freights a great many days more per year than I can a steamer), the motor ship has a advantage in operation expenses for the same voyage of 103 days (105 days for the steamer) of \$27,700.

The following table gives in detail the various savings and additional earnings of the motor ship on the particular routes in question. This economy of \$27,700 (say \$2,000) is at the rate of \$95.00 for the whole year, or about \$22,000, the comparison being made in relation to oil-fired steamers, since the large majority of American vessels are equipped with oil burners. Based on 10 per cent fixed charge; on additional capital expenditure of nearly \$150,000 would be justified, whereas the actual cost of a motor ship is not very much greater than that of a steamer.

Motor ship additional freight earning (outbound).....	\$ 2,250
Steamer excess cost port fuel, loading.....	630
Extra day for steamer calling at Honolulu for fuel (operating and fixed charges).....	550
Steamer port charges, Honolulu.....	250
Steamer excess cost fuel out-bound.....	9,775
Steamer excess cost port fuel China discharging.....	1,445
Steamer excess cost fuel, homeward bound.....	12,000
Steamer extra day calling at Honolulu for fuel (operating and fixed charges).....	550
Steamer port charges, Honolulu.....	250
Total.....	\$ 27,700

The slump in the price of steamers is probably partly due to the adoption of the motor ship, and this point should be borne in mind when considering the question of building either steamers or motor ships, and weighing up the apparent advantage of the

PIECE GOODS.

IMPORTERS AND DEALERS AT LOGGERHEADS.

Foreign importers and Chinese dealers engaged in the piece goods business have been at loggerheads for over a month over the question of fancy goods contracts. At present the importers have no standard form of contract although the various forms used are more or less similar. The Chinese dealers object to these contracts and have put forward a standard form on which, it has been stated they will alone do business in future. In their proposed form of contract the dealers claim a voice in the appointment of arbitrators in the event of a discrepancy between the quality of goods delivered and of the sample. At present the dealers only guarantee to ship by a certain date; the dealer want a guarantee of delivery because they say that if certain classes of goods arrive too late in the season they are of no use. The dealers further seek a reduction in the rate of interest charged on goods not cleared to time.

Correspondence on the subject has passed between the Chinese Dealers Guild and the foreign merchants and at the request of the former the matter has now been taken up by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce. While the importers have all along presented a united front the dealers have not, it appears, been able to reach agreement amongst themselves. Some of them were for ceasing to do business altogether while others were in favour of carrying on the old terms. There was also a section who proposed eliminating the middleman and dealing direct with the manufacturer at home. In the meantime, although clearances have been proceeding since daily, no new business is being done.

WORLD THEATRE.

SUZANNE LENGLEN ON THE SCREEN.

Patrons of the World Theatre will be afforded a good opportunity of seeing a lady tennis champion, Suzanne Lenglen on the screen on the 11th and 12th inst, two nights only.

Most of us have seen the champion pictured in arrested motion by the camera, few illustrations of papers have in fact failed to show Miss Lenglen in one or other of her services, volleys or back hands the fellow through the stroke, the close-up being unusually instructive in showing how the racket is held and manipulated in varying the pace and direction of the ball. All these will be better seen in this wonderful film rather than described in writing. Tennis players should not miss to see this picture. Owing to the high cost of this special film prices of admission have been raised to \$2—and \$1—respectively. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price to Stall only.

steamers in lower capital cost. Quite apart from the increase in economy of operation which warrants the additional outlay on the motor ship, the depreciation of steamers will probably rapidly increase as the number of motorships increases and the steamer becomes a less workable proposition in comparison with the more efficient oil engine vessel.

This is a point to which owners have previously not given sufficient thought; it is by no means improbable that in the course of say, 10 years, when a steamer, built at the present day, will only have run half its life, such a vessel will be well-nigh unsaleable and perhaps unworkable, in competition with the vastly increased motor fleet that will by that time be in service on all the ocean routes in the world. In other words, if a motor ship to day costs £130,000 to build and a corresponding steamer £100,000, under normal conditions, the former will probably be worth about £35,000 in 10 years' time, whereas the latter may quite conceivably have a value of little more than £25,000 in the open market, due to the fact that it is of a class that no shipowner will then desire to possess.

ODDS AND ENDS.

MAINLY SCISSORS LOOT.

Silver from Films.

There is money in the movies, and even in their waste there is silver. "Hypo" is used by the thousands of gallons to dissolve the silver out of the films, and this was for a long time allowed to flush the city sewers of Los Angeles (relates the *Daily Chronicle*). Now that is all over for from the 30,000 gallons used every month 10,000 ounces of pure silver are obtained. There is still another source of silver: When the films come to the studios the little holes along the sides, have-to-be-punched. These particles of film are collected and burnt, yielding between five and six ounces to the pound, and when there are about 4000 pounds of these to be burnt the silver obtained is not negligible. So careful are they now of their silver that the old wooden tanks impregnated with the "hypo" are burnt and made to yield their quota.

Port Gases for Food.

The "inert" gases are so called because, under normal conditions, they refuse to combine chemically with other elements. (says *Evening Standard*) Generally speaking, this nobility is detrimental—it makes them almost valueless. One way, however, in which they may be useful, because of this very property, is in the preserving of foods. The great difficulty in preparing tinned foods is to exclude air, for oxygen, being very far from inert, leads to decomposition of the food and to corrosion of the tin. Even if air is carefully excluded it is found that the contents of the tin deteriorate in flavor, owing to the presence of the oxygen. A process has now been devised by which the free air and the entrapped oxygen can be driven out and replaced by an inert gas, which maintains the food in the tin in exactly the same state as that in which they were sealed up.

Dyed Trees.

Experimentation is being made in the Weald district, in G. many, with a view to producing coloured trees and a striking initial success has been reported. An area of several acres has been set apart for the purpose (says the *Observer*) in a large forest near the town of Uxbridge. Every tree in this area is hung with a receptacle containing red or blue colouring matter, which is directed, by means of a rubber tube, into the roots of the tree. Electricity also plays a part in the colouring process.

The colouring matter makes its way, within about four weeks, to the innermost ends of the branches and the smallest twigs, in some cases up to a height of twenty yards. The tree then dies off and is felled and cut into timber. The wood thus obtained is used for various purposes, especially for the making of furniture. The part of the forest where the experiments are being carried on may already be noticed from a far off, by the red or blue tint of the foliage.

Cocktail Habit.

Many expedients are adopted in India to raise and maintain the physical standard of the Army. Since the war, games and recreations of all kinds have been encouraged by the military authorities, including polo, football, boxing, and hockey, but whilst these exercises have had good effect, much harm is being done by an increase of alcoholic drinking since the war. On high authority it is stated that both in messes and in clubs in India too much alcohol is consumed particularly in short drinks, and this post war habit, it is averred, is militating against the physical fitness of the Army. The matter has been brought to the notice of officers by Lord Rawlinson, the Commander-in-Chief, who emphasizes the importance of example in a matter of this kind, urges officers to see how far the cocktail habit really forms part of their daily requirements, and plainly states that if a man has not sufficient control over himself to secure moderation in the alcohol he drinks it is his duty to adopt total abstinence.

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GENERAL ITEMS.

Brighton's new rate for the half-year will be 6s. 8d., a reduction of 1d.

Blackpool Education Committee is urging a censorship of picture postcards.

Three hours of torrential rain in Rome caused the tramway service to be suspended.

An apple tree at Little Byham, Lincolnshire, has blossomed three times this year.

Remanded at Willenden on a charge of theft a servant girl was granted bail in order to be married.

After being closed for a week as a protest against the high amusement tax the Berlin cinemas have reopened.

Mr. Cecil Eford, K. C. of the Irish Bar, has been appointed an additional judge of the Lahore High Court, India.

Twenty men were injured, 5 seriously, in an accident to an ascending cage in a coal mine near Douai, north of France.

The German steamer "Theresa Horn" from Antwerp, the safety of which was in doubt, has arrived at Buenos Aires.

The German Ministry of Labour announces that there are now only 11,000 unemployed in Germany in receipt of relief.

Professor Charles Sherrington, the physiologist, has been awarded the Anders Reizins medal by the Swedish Physicians' Society.

Taken ill in a tramway car, Mr. Joseph Halsey, three times mayor of the town, died at Dawsbury, Yorkshire, aged 60.

Sixteen Indian Army officers among those who have become surplus will be appointed by examination to the Indian Civil Service.

Owing to unfavourable weather the London-Brussels Colloque air liner which began the service was unable to get beyond Brussels.

Printed on thinner paper, the October issue of the London Telephone Directory is much less bulky than its immediate predecessors.

The number of undergraduates at Cambridge is much smaller this term, and the congestion of the last four years has been removed.

Latherford, Surrey, Gas Company has reduced the price of gas by 3d. to 5s. 9d. per 1,000 cubic ft. in the Leatherhead district and 5s. 11d. in the Cobham area.

Five hundred prisoners at Alipore Jail in Calcutta rushed the hospital to rescue a prisoner who was kept there as he was slumping lunacy, but order was restored.

To make an example of the ringleaders of the revolt against the Italians in Tripoli the death penalty has been re-introduced, and an Arab hangman has been employed.

Increased fees are now payable on parcels weighing more than 5lb. sent by the parcel air service to Paris. The new scale is: Up to 2lb., 1s. 9d.; 2 1/2lb., 3s.; 3 1/2lb., 4s. 6d.; 4 1/2lb., 5s.

An Exchange message from Paris states that the liner "Berenaria" narrowly escaped collision in a fog with the French liner "Lafayette." The "Berenaria" met with ice-bergs on the third day out from New York.

The British Medical Association has objected to Glasgow Education Authority offering a salary of £405 for a medical officer, contending that the salary should be £500. It is stated that many applications have been received for the post.

Preaching at Birmingham Cathedral Sir William Ashley, vice-principal of Birmingham University, said he had given his life to the study of history, and he did not believe there was ever a time when the great body of our people were as moral as they are now.

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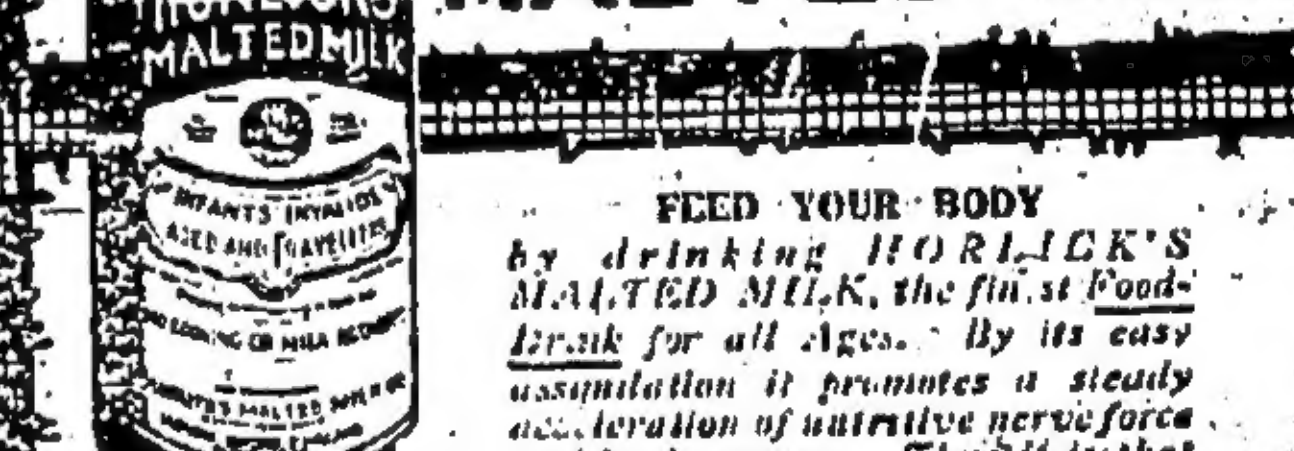
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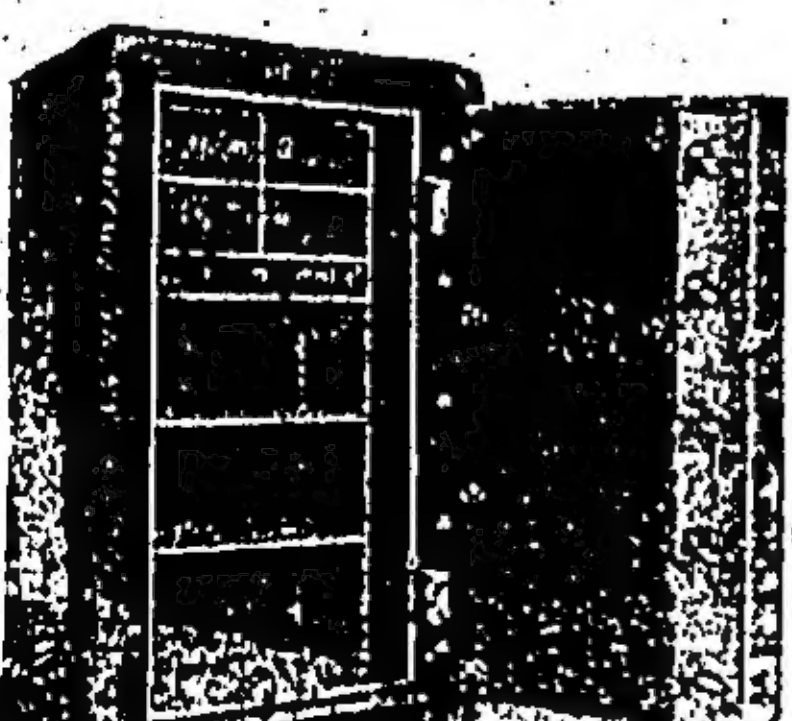
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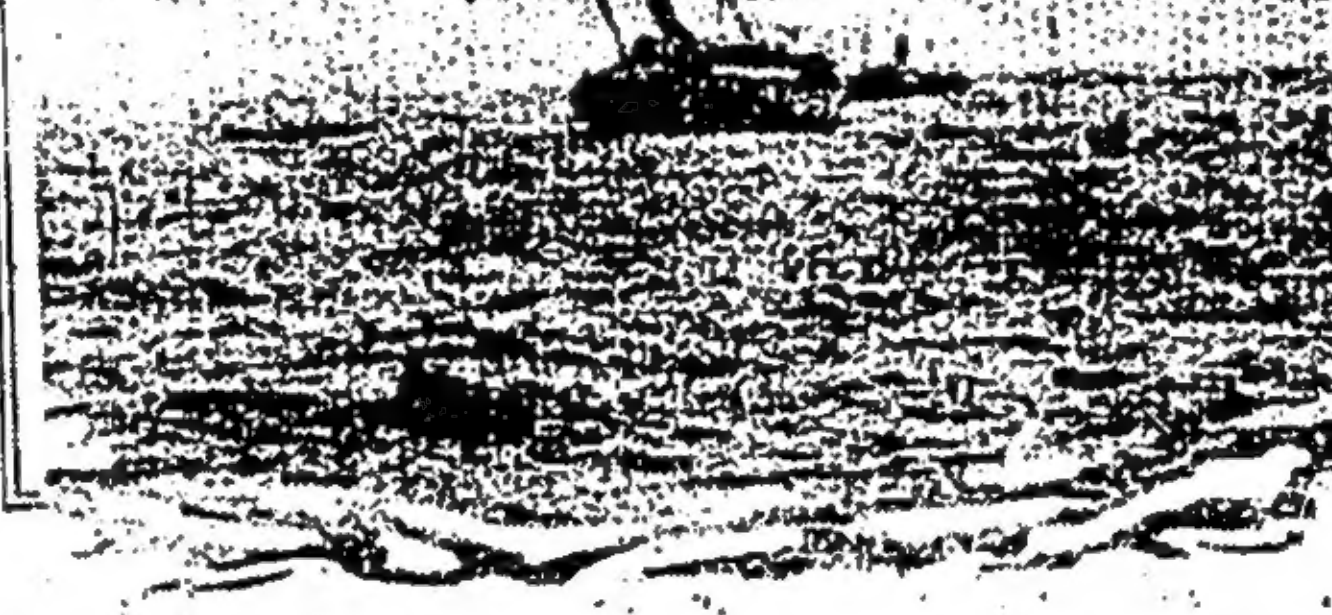
Mrs. Augusta Turner and Harry Fowler.

Paulin is alleged to be the father of the fourth child of Mrs. Turner, who is the wife of a professor of law. The professor only claims the three in the bathtub.



Hammonia survivors (Ship Hammonia sinking).

The "Hammonia," a Hamburg America liner was sunk in a gale off the coast of Portugal.



British guard Constantinople.

Stemming the Turkish tide.



Mustafa Kemal Pasha.

This poster was distributed by Kemal Pasha's replanes. It said: "By the grave of Allah, the way to victory will open soon."



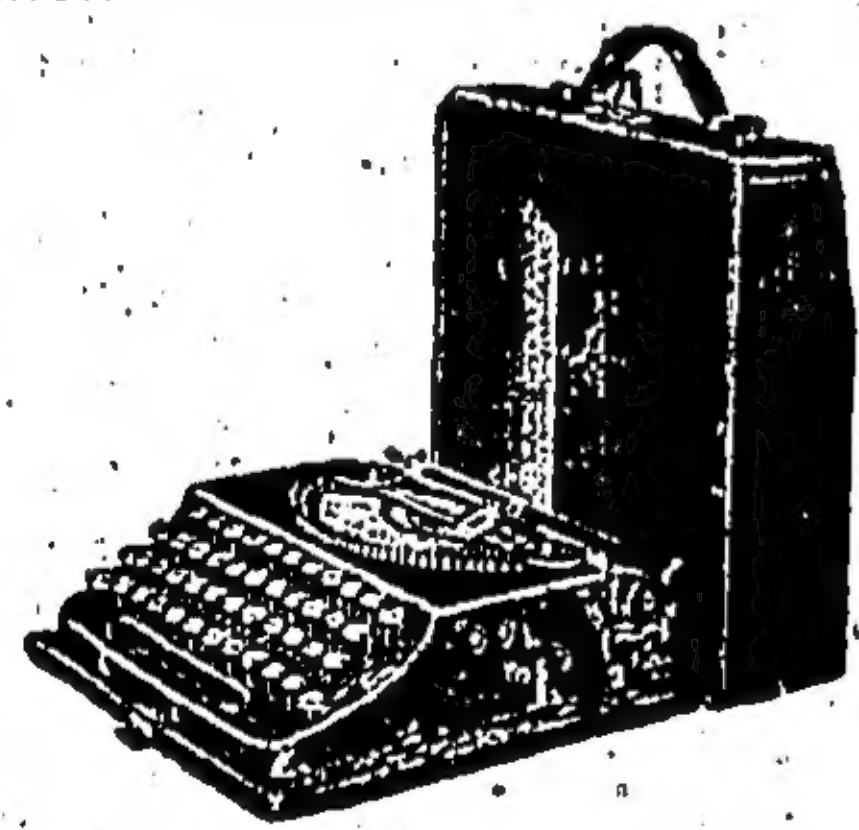
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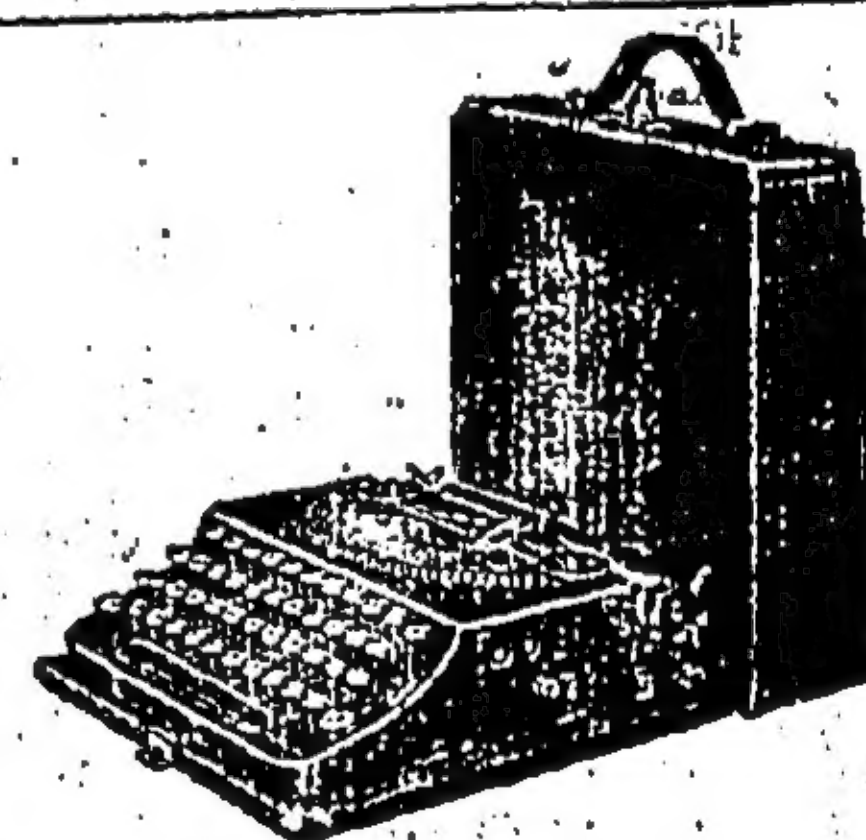
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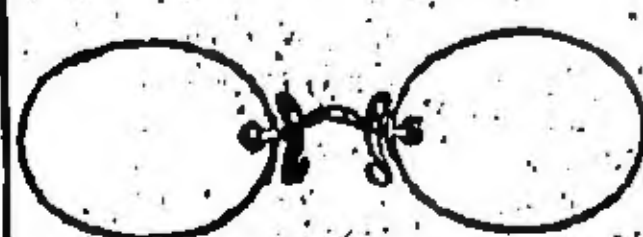
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

AMERICAN ELECTIONS.

New York, November 9th.

The Republican control of the Senate is not threatened, although the party suffered a narrow loss of six seats.

The Republicans carried eleven and the Democrats nineteen, of the thirty-five contests. The Democrats are leading in five of the outstanding contests.

The Republican majority in the Senate is at present twenty-four. Senator McCumber, author of the new tariff law, is among those who have been defeated.

New York, November 9th.

Following is the latest position of parties in the new Congress: 218 Republicans, 204 Democrats, one Socialist, and one Independent.

Outstanding returns number thirteen, of which the Republicans only require to win in order to retain control of the House of Representatives.

LATER.

The Republicans have now the necessary 218 seats to ensure their retention of a majority in the House of Representatives.

The Democrats won 296: Socialist, Farmer-Labor and Independent winning one each. Returns complete from all except nine districts.

Boston, November 9th.

Mr. Gaston, the democratic opponent of Senator Lodge has demanded a recount in view of the unofficial estimate that Senator Lodge only had a majority of 1,434 votes from the million which were cast.

Washington, November 9th.

Latest returns to hand show that the Republicans hold two hundred seats and the Democrats one hundred and ninety-six.

NEAR EAST

Washington, November 9th.

The Navy Department has ordered the battleship *Portland* to proceed immediately to Constantinople from Gibraltar to guard against events.

LONDON, November 9th.

Dispute has arisen in London owing to the complete absence of news from Constantinople since the message announcing a restoration by the Turks of their demands. Messages now coming in by indirect routes show that the dispute has been due to the Turks having cut the cable between Chanak and Baku.

Martial law has not yet been imposed. Two British soldiers have been murdered at Karsimashan.

CONSTANTINOPLE, November 9th.

At seven o'clock this evening, the Allied Commissioners handed a Note to the Ankara Government, stating that if the measures adopted by the Kemalists authorities in the city, in flagrant violation of the Mudros and Mudanya Conventions, are not withdrawn, they will consult their Government regarding the adoption of the necessary urgent measures.

GERMAN REPARATIONS.

WASHINGTON, November 9th.

The British, French, Italian and Belgian Ambassadors have submitted a proposal to Mr. Hughes regarding the equality of American with Allied claims on Germany for the maintenance of troops of occupation. It is understood that the Allies pointed out the impracticability of receiving at present the whole system of reparation payments, but outlined a plan for the reimbursement of America.

NEW BRAZILIAN CABINET.

RIO DE JANEIRO, November 9th.

President Borchard assumes office on November 15th. He has appointed the following Cabinet: Minister of Foreign Affairs, D. Pacheco; Minister of Interior, D. Alves; Minister of Finance, D. Vidal; Minister of Public Works and War, General Carvalho; Minister of Marine, Admiral Alencar; Minister of Agriculture, D. Calmon.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in reservoirs in the 1st Northern District, 1921-22.

DATE	LEVEL	STORAGE
1921		
Jan. 1	14.1	100.0
Feb. 1	14.2	100.0
Mar. 1	14.3	100.0
Apr. 1	14.4	100.0
May 1	14.5	100.0
Jun. 1	14.6	100.0
Jul. 1	14.7	100.0
Aug. 1	14.8	100.0
Sep. 1	14.9	100.0
Oct. 1	15.0	100.0
Nov. 1	15.1	100.0
Dec. 1	15.2	100.0
1922		
Jan. 1	15.3	100.0
Feb. 1	15.4	100.0
Mar. 1	15.5	100.0
Apr. 1	15.6	100.0
May 1	15.7	100.0
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On November 9th, the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of October 1921.

Consumption in all districts during October 1921.

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SHIP HELD UP.

HIDDEN GUNMEN SMUGGLERS.

A story of liquor smuggling on a grand scale has been related in a letter written to the New York Times from Cadix, Spain.

Last March, the letter relates, the steamer, bought by a shipping line of New York, was transferred to a South American registry. The vessel shipped a mixed cargo consigned to Spain. This included 40,000 gallons of alcoholic liquors. The owners placed in command a man who afterwards turned out to be the skipper of a fishing schooner.

The owners and officers of the ship obtained from Spain false landing certificates, and the vessel was cleared for Cadix.

At nightfall off the coast of North America the ship was stopped. Several tugs and barges appeared. Simultaneously there sprang from their hiding places in the ship a number of New York gunmen. Pistols which were raised at the crew compelled them to unload the liquor into barges which had been brought alongside.

The ship then continued its voyage, but was forced to put into Bermuda for repairs. While there the ship took on board a fresh cargo of liquor and disposed of it off the American coast.

When Spain was reached the captain was without funds to pay his crew, and the ship was seized by the Spanish Government for falsification of manifests.

The officers then learned that the allotments of their pay which they had arranged to have sent by cable sent to the owners of the ship, who had apparently washed their hands of the ship.

The details of the letter are contained in New York, where several men are under indictment in connection with smuggling liquor from the ship.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

FADING EVENTS ADVERTISE IN THE "MAIL."

ENTERTAINMENTS.

November 10.—Crescent Theatre; Constant Talmadge in "Good References." World Theatre; Debe Daniels in "Two Weeks With Pay." Kew Theatre; Passion's Play-ground. Theatre Royal.

November 11.—British Legion Armistice Night Dance. City Hall.

November 12.—The Grand Italian Opera Co. Opening Night. Theatre Royal; "Il Trovatore."

November 13.—Theatre Royal; "La Tosca."

November 14.—Theatre Royal; "Rigoldo."

November 15.—Theatre Royal; "Traviata."

November 16.—Theatre Royal; "Cavalleria Rusticana and Pagliacci."

November 17.—Theatre Royal; "Lucia di Lammermoor."

PUBLIC AUCTION SALES.

November 14.—Lammert Bros. motor launch "Pewit," Sales Rooms Noon.

November 21.—Lammert Bros. valuable leasehold properties Auction rooms, 3 p.m.

SPORTING EVENTS.

November 18.—Fifth Gymkhana of the Hongkong Jockey Club.

HONGKONG TIDES.

This table, given below, has been compiled by the Hydrographic Office of the Admiralty, and is based on observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Victoria Harbour, at the Victoria Dock, Hong Kong, during the years 1904-1905.

The first of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty chart, which has been found to be 4 feet 10 inches below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 2 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamock Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 inches to the height given in the table.

November 8 & 12.

High Water. Low Water.

Time. Height. Time. Height.

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The G.P. S. S. "Empress of Japan" left Vancouver on Nov. 11 and is expected here on Nov. 14.

The B. P. S. S. "Taipei Maru" arrived at Yokohama on Nov. 3 and left for Hongkong on Nov. 11.

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